SEQUIM PLANNING COMMISSION

Special Meeting

Transit Center
190 West Cedar Street
Sequim, WA 98382
6:00 P.M.
Tuesday, January 13, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & ROLL CALL:

a. PC: Connelly, Mahalick, Protze, Sanford, Sterhan, Thompson and Wendt.

Commissioner Marc Connelly was excused.

Staff Present: Chris Hugo and Bobbie Usselman; Council liaison Dennis Smith.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 25, 2014

MOTION to approve minutes of November 25, 2014 by Sanford; second by Protze. **Unanimously approved**.

- III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA
- IV. NEW BUSINESS

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Comprehensive Plan Update: Review of Preliminary Drafts of Urban Growth, Land Use, Housing and Transportation Chapters for release for public review

Public meeting opened at 6:03 p.m.

Hugo gave an overview of the process. He reviewed the qualities of an effective plan presented in 2011 including:

- Vision: a narrative that describes a future;
- Growth framework: presents the "grand strategy" as a visual concept;
- Directive: goals/policies that state a distinct future and the ways to achieve it;
- Intentional: provides direction as a "fact";
- Specific: says "what, why, where, when and how";
- Community self-interest: presents what is good to do not what is "required" to do;
- Comprehensive: covers all the topics to make a complete picture of a desired future;
- Integrated: plan elements are internally consistent and reinforcing of Vision:
- An "affordable" future: don't overshoot city capacity; don't defer costs to next generation;
- No one-time tasks: avoid direction that is irrelevant to a 20-year plan;
- Visual communication: support ideas with maps, photos, illustrations, etc.:

- Durability: few changes to Plan are needed until comprehensive updates;
- Sustainability: growth choices are not at the "expense" of the future choices today are still available tomorrow; and
- Ease-of-use: understanding does not require "internal interpretation."

The "vision statement as values" includes friendly, small-town, walkable, connected, convenient, affordable, multi-generation, and preserve rural.

Hugo wants to be sure motorized transport is included in the senior living district.

The Commission reviewed the handouts and made comments and corrections.

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Council has made its committee appointments and Councilor Smith continues to be our liaison.

This summer we will be working on getting the expired County-wide Planning Policies revised. A new committee, the GMA Regional Committee, has been created with Hays, Miller and Wendt appointed as members. We hope by late spring to have a regional committee formed to finalize those policies. This will come to the Planning Commission for review.

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled February 3.

VII. GOOD OF THE ORDER

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn by Thompson; second by Mahalick. **Unanimous**.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta J. Usselman, MMC

Deputy City Clerk

of Wendt

Chair